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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6873

BILL NUMBER: HB 1499

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 11, 2009

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Conditional Early Release Bond.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Ruppel

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill has the following provisions:

- A. It allows a court when it places a person on probation or the parole board when it releases a person to: (1) require the person to execute a bond with a surety; and (2) set certain conditions of the person's release as part of the bond.
- B. It provides that if not later than 180 days after the date a surety receives a written notice of a principal's violation of one of the conditions: (1) the person is placed back in custody by the surety or another person, the bond is exonerated; and (2) the person is not placed back in custody, the surety must pay a penalty equal to the face value of the bond.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: More offenders could be released on parole if they are required to post a bond or have a person post a bond for them. Sentencing courts may place more convicted offenders on probation if the offenders also are required to post some type of bond. Both of these measures could help to reduce the need for additional prison space.

The average expenditure to house an adult offender was \$20,287 in FY 2008.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Parole Board.

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts with criminal jurisdiction.

Information Sources: Department of Correction.

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